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Honorable Philip N. Asprodites
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State of Louisiana
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Re: APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC HEARING.

Upper Hosston Formation, Reservoir B, and Lower
Hosston Formation, Reservoir A, WEST ARCADIA
FIELD, Bienville Parish, Louisiana.

Dear Sir:

PAR MINERALS CORPORATION ("Applicant") hereby respectfully applies for a public hearing to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an Order pertaining to the following matters relating to the Upper Hosston Formation, Reservoir B, and to the Lower Hosston Formation, Reservoir A, in the West Arcadia Field, Bienville Parish, Louisiana:

1. To approve the downhole combination of production from the Upper Hosston Formation, Reservoir B, and the Lower Hosston Formation, Reservoir A, in the wellbore of the Par Minerals Corporation--Sutton Hunter No. 1 Well, located as shown on the attached plat, and in the wellbore of any existing well or subsequently drilled well located on U HOSS RB SUB and L HOSS RA SUB in which the ownership interests in the Upper Hosston Formation, Reservoir B, and the Lower Hosston Formation, Reservoir A, is identical.
2. To establish a procedure whereby similar downhole combination authority can be obtained, without the necessity of a public hearing, with respect to other identical units created for the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the Upper Hosston Formation, Reservoir B, and the Lower Hosston Formation, Reservoir A.
3. To discuss such other matters as may be appropriate and justified by the evidence presented at the hearing.

The Upper Hosston Formation in the West Arcadia Field, Bienville Parish, Louisiana, is defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 692, effective April 1, 1965, and Office of Conservation Order No. 692-A-4, effective May 1, 1981.

The Lower Hosston Formation, Reservoir A, in the West Arcadia Field, Bienville Parish, Louisiana, is defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 692-C, effective May 1, 1981.

Pertinent data concerning this application is available for inspection at the offices of Par Minerals Corporation, 509 Market Street, Suite 300, Shreveport, Louisiana 71101-3275. Any person desiring to inspect such data should call Mr. Randy Rogers at (318) 221-6156 during normal business hours in order to arrange a date and time for such inspection. A copy of any such data

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which is not otherwise available at the Office of Conservation can be obtained from Applicant at the expense of the requesting party.

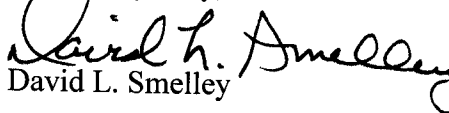
As provided by the Revised Rules of Procedure, the subject matter of this application does not require the issuance of a pre-application notice; therefore, no such notice has been issued.

Pursuant to the aforesaid Rules of Procedure, Applicant has made a reasonable effort to obtain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties to whom notice of this application is being sent and has attached hereto a list of the names and addresses of such parties. A copy of this letter and of the attached plat is being sent to the District Manager of the Shreveport District of the Office of Conservation and to the Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties, as shown on the attached list.

Applicant will provide for posting of a copy of the Legal Notice of this hearing and the enclosed plat at a prominent place in the area affected and will cause publication of the Legal Notice in a newspaper published in the general area of West Arcadia Field, all in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure. Furthermore, Applicant will mail a copy of the Legal Notice to all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties promptly upon receipt of the Legal Notice from the Commissioner.

Finally, enclosed is a check payable to the Commissioner of Conservation for the application fee.

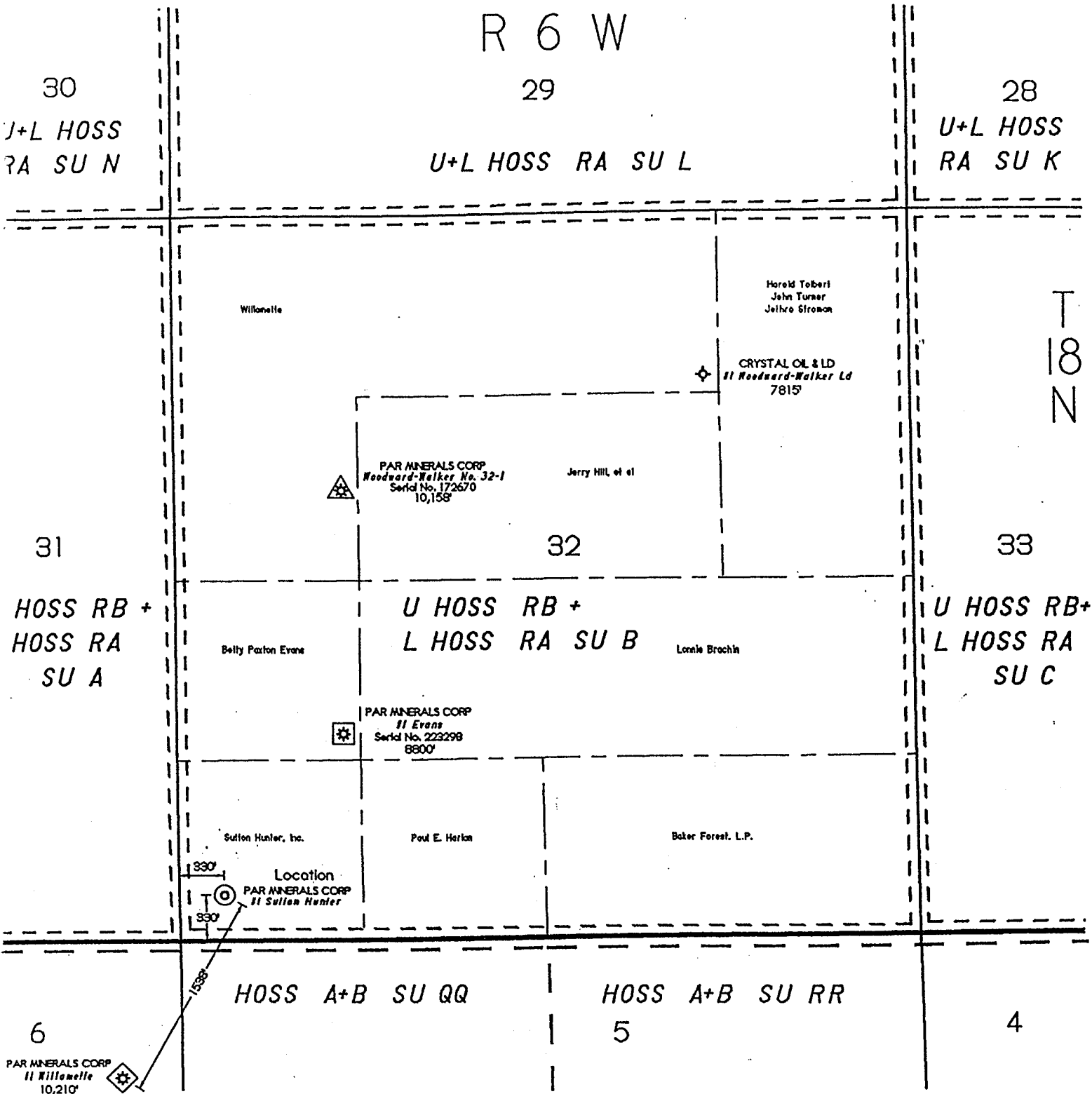
Yours very truly,


David L. Smelley

-- Attorney for Par Minerals Corporation

DLS:dp
Enclosures

cc: Mr. Jim Broussard (w/encls.)
Mr. Randy Rogers (w/encls.)
Mr. Dirck Wuellner (w/encls.)
Interested Owners, Represented
Parties and Interested Parties (w/plat only)



LEGEND

- West Arcadia Field Upper and Lower Hosston Unit Boundaries
- West Bryceland Field Hosston A and B Unit Boundaries
- ☼ Upper Hosston Substitute Unit Well and Lower Hosston Unit Well
- ⊙ Upper and Lower Hosston Alternate Unit Well
- ⚠ Pending Upper Hosston Alternate Unit Well
- ⚡ Hosston A and B Alternate Unit Well

DOCKET No.

EXHIBIT No 1

PAR MINERALS CORPORATION

UNIT MAP

U HOSS RB / L HOSS RA SU B
WEST ARCADIA FIELD
BIENVILLE PARISH, LOUISIANA

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1000'

2000'

1/2 MI.